

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Richard C. Irving on September 9, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) A system for notifying clients of job-related event instances, comprising:

a first trigger engine, implemented in a first computing device of the system, configured to register event requests, including a first event request from a first client and a second event request from a second client, and to combine the first event request and the second event request into a single base event request;

a second trigger engine, implemented in the first computing device or a second computing device of the system, configured to communicate with the first trigger engine to receive a registration of the single base event request at the second trigger engine, the first trigger engine being configured to not communicate the first event request and the second event request to the second trigger engine in order to reduce a number of events to be remotely communicated, and the second trigger engine being further

configured to receive notification of an event instance corresponding to a base event occurring at an event source; and

upon receipt of the notification of the event instance, the second trigger engine communicating data indicative of the event instance to the first trigger engine, the first trigger engine being configured to determine to which of the first event request and the second event request the event instance corresponds,

wherein if the event instance corresponds to the first event request, then the first trigger engine notifies the first client of the event instance, and

wherein if the event instance corresponds to the second event request, then the first trigger engine notifies the second client of the event instance.

Claim 19. (Currently Amended) In a computer network, a method for notifying clients of events, comprising:

receiving, at a first trigger engine, of a first computing device, a first event request from a first client, the first event request corresponding to a first event on a remote server, the first event request including information specific to the first event request;

receiving, at the first trigger engine, a second event request from a second client, the second event request corresponding to a second event on the remote server, the second request including information specific to the second event request;

maintaining, at ~~a~~ the first trigger engine, information specific to each of the first event request and the second event request;

combining, at the first trigger engine, the first event request and the second event request into a single base event request;

registering, by the first trigger engine, the single base event request and not the first event request and the second event request at a second trigger engine of the remote server in order to reduce a number of events remotely communicated;

receiving, by the first trigger engine from the second trigger engine, notification of an instance of a base event, the notification including event-specific information about the instance of the base event;

analyzing, by the first trigger engine, the event-specific information to determine to which of the first event request and the second event request the instance of the base event corresponds;

notifying, by the first trigger engine, the first client if the event-specific information corresponds to the information specific to the first event request; and

notifying, by the first trigger engine, the second client if the event-specific information corresponds to the information specific to the second event request.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The examiner has found that Applicant's Arguments presented on April 28, 2009 to be persuasive.

The examiner further notes the prosecution history of the instant application along with these arguments have made the instant application novel and obvious over the prior art of record.

The examiner further notes no pertinent non-patent literature was found during the non-patent literature search.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Asfand M. Sheikh whose telephone number is (571)272-1466. The examiner can normally be reached on 9a-5p.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ryan M. Zeender can be reached on (571)272-6790. The fax phone

number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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